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morning, LB 57, by Senator Brashear. (Read title.) Bill was introduced on January 7, at that time referred to the Transportation Committee, advanced to General File. There are committee amendments pending, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. I will recognize Senator Brashear to open on LB 57.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Mr. President, members of the body, LB 57 is relatively simple. It allows that the Cornhusker Spirit Plates can be personalized as well as consecutively numbered. Frankly, this is a provision that I believe I should have and omitted to provide for initially. There have been a number of people who have expressed an interest in personalization, and it would be subject to all of the same controls and provisions as our regular license plates are with regard to personalization. In addition, the...there are provisions contained either in the bill or in the amendment, so that I'm not flying under cover of nondisclosure here, that farm trucks would be included as eligible vehicles for spirit plates. The \$70 fee would be allocated as it has been, but it would be paid upon the time of the application, and the owner could transfer the spirit plates, just as personalized plates can be transferred from vehicle to vehicle. Those are the purposes of the bill, and I would urge its advancement. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator. The Chair recognizes the Chairman of the Transportation Committee, Senator Bromm, to open on the committee amendments. (See AM0003, on page 303 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR BROMM: Thank you, Mr. President. The Transportation Committee held a hearing on the bill January 19th of this year. There was no opposition. There was support from the Department of Motor Vehicles, as well as Senator Brashear. And the committee saw fit to advance the bill with no opposing votes. There was a committee amendment, which basically does three things. And I'll...they aren't...they aren't terribly significant, but we need to mention them. Number one, on these personalized plate fees of \$3, that's referred to in the bill, I think, it's on page 3 of the original bill, that has been a fee with personalized plates prior to this. We're not changing